

(g) whether they will lay on the table a list containing the number of cases found out by each, the nature of the punishment awarded therefor, etc.?

Mr. K. George : (a) None so far. But means have been devised to minimise chances of defalcations.

(b) No.

(c) Yes, in cases in which the defalcations were rendered possible by the negligence of the Tahsildar.

(d) 3. It is detrimental to public interests to divulge the names of officers punished.

(e) Yes.

(f) & (g)	Number of cases.	Nature of punishment.
Mr. N. S. Raman Pillai Division Peishkar, Trivandrum.	1	The Accountant involved was dismissed from service.
Mr. P. G. Narayanan Unnithan, Assistant Peishkar, Trivandrum.	2	The Accountants of the Palode and Vempayam pakuthies involved were suspended for 6 months and two years, respectively.
Mr. A. Abraham, Assistant Peishkar, Alleppey.	1	The Proverthikar concerned was placed under suspension and has also been criminally prosecuted.

Encroachment on Forest Lands.

264. * **Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) how long it is since private persons have entered upon, occupied and enjoyed the reserved forest adjoining Potummattam in S. No. 774 of the Karikode pakuthi, Todupuzha taluk ; and

(b) whether explanations have been called for from Government officers who allowed this encroachment?

Mr. K. George : (a) From the year 1103.

(b) No.

Survey No. 774 in the Karikode Pakuthi.

265. * **Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the acreage of the land comprised in Survey No. 774 in the Karikode pakuthi ;

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(b) whether there have been any Government order that this land should not be assigned away ;

(c) the time from which ryots have unlawfully occupied and been enjoying the land ;

(d) the number of persons who have at present occupied and are making improvements, etc., in the land ; and

(e) the amount they would have derived by this time, if they had recovered even prohibitory tax from the occupiers of the land since the time of occupation, and the amount they would derive per annum if such prohibitory tax be imposed ?

Mr. K. George : (a) 10,324 acres.

(b) No.

(c) From the year 1103.

(d) & (e) It is reported that there are numerous encroachments on the land in question but that information about the number of persons who are at present in occupation of the land and the probable amount that could be recovered under prohibitory assessment could be ascertained only after all the encroachments are detected and the cases disposed of according to Law. A special staff has been appointed for detailed verification of the tract and their work has not been finished.

Freightage on goods exported from the State.

266. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether a freightage of Rs. 1½ is being ordinarily charged on a dozen small mats costing Rs. 2½ ;

(b) whether more freightage is charged on coir mats and other goods exported from places like Hong Kong and Indo-China which are far away from Alleppey ; and

(c) whether freightage is charged for additional weight found when goods are weighed again at the port of delivery ?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan : (a) & (b) Freight varies according to the size of the mats and the distance of the port of destination.

(c) Yes.

Withdrawal of recognition and grants of aided schools.

267. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state the number of schools in the state, the recognition and grant of which have been withdrawn during the last three years ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : 85.

Grant-in-aid English School at Arakkulam.

268. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state :